



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Kohei FUKAYA, et al.  
Serial No: 09/980,979  
Filed: November 2, 2001  
For: BALLOON CATHETER

Art Unit: 3763  
Examiner: THOMPSON, Michael M.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☐ Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.

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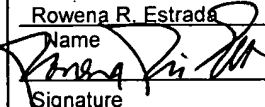
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments** to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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